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National Intelligence Council

MEMORANDUM FOR: National Foreign Intelligence Board

Representatives

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Special National Intelligence Estimate

37-89: AFGHANISTAN: THE WAR IN

PERSPECTIVE

- 1. The National Intelligence Officer, Near East and South Asia, has requested a Special National Intelligence Estimate on Afghanistan to be completed by 22 November 1989 in anticipation of the Summit meeting scheduled for early December.
- 2. The drafter for this Estimate is Eliza Van Hollen, State/INR. Key questions will be sent to community representatives not later than 1300, 6 November 1989, requesting immediate responses but not later than close of business, 7 November 1989. We hope to have a completed draft for coordination not later than 14 November 1989 and a special NFIB Principals meeting the week of 20 November 1989.
- 3. FYI: The coordinated estimate on Iraq was inadvertently misnumbered 37-89 and has been re-numbered NIE 36.2-89: IRAQ: FOREIGN POLICY OF A MAJOR REGIONAL POWER.

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